

In response to reply of Mr Charles T. Rauch, dated 08/19/03:

In his comments Mr. Rauch states the problems power companies have in curing unintentional RF Interference from their distribution systems. This can be witnessed at my present location in central Georgia. For the past 3 years, radio reception from the medium wave bands thru 50 Mhz have been almost impossible, due to interference from transmission lines operated by Oglethorpe Power Corp. If the utilities are not able to adequately maintain and service the basic distribution system, surely they're not capable of taking on the added burden of BPL. Unless, the Commission is ready to deem Radio communication obsolete and unnecessary.

With the recent power grid failure in the northeast and midwest sections of the country, the obligation to provide a stable source of electrical power to this nation should be the only thing being considered by the utilities.

Respectfully,
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